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FOR AMBASSADOR POPPER FROM LUERS, ACTING

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:CI, OVIP (LAVIN, JAIME)

SUBJECT: ALLEGATIONS AGAINST CMDT. JAIME LAVIN

REF: SANTIAGO 0634

1. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION IN REFTEL. HOWEVER, THE PRESS CAMPAIGN WE FORESAW STARTED THIS MORNING WITH JACK ANDERSON ON GOOD MORNING AMERICA (ABC). (WE ARE CABLING YOU TRANSCRIPT SEPTTEL.) WE FEAR THAT, REGARDLESS OF LAVIN'S GUILT OR INNOCENCE OF THE ALLEGATIONS, THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM ARE SO COLORFUL THAT THE PRESS -- ENCOURAGED BY AMNESTY -- WILL FIND HIM GUILTY. AMNESTY, FOR ITS PART, IS ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED THAT MIRANDA'S AFFIDAVIT IS FACTUAL.

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2. WE HAVE DECIDED TO TAKE FOLLOWING ACTION:

-- WE ARE SENDING DESK OFFICER DRISCOLL TO LOS ANGELES TO SPEAK TO LAVIN ABOUT THE DOMESTIC IMPACT OF THE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST HIM.

-- IF HE CATEGORICALLY DENIES THEM, AS WE UNDERSTAND HE

ALREADY HAS, DRISCOLL WILL EXPLAIN TO HIM THE BUILDING

CAMPAIGN AGAINST HIM AND POINT OUT THE PROBABLE
NECESSITY OF SOME SORT OF PUBLIC STATEMENT BY HIM.

-- DRISCOLL WILL ALSO HAVE TO EXPLAIN THAT THE
CONGRESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS HE WANTED FOR HIS RETURN TO
WASHINGTON ARE INCREASINGLY UNLIKELY TO COME THROUGH
BECAUSE OF THE ADVERSE PUBLICITY. THUS, HE WILL HAVE
LITTLE TO DO HERE AND MIGHT WISH TO RECONSIDER NET
UTILITY OF RETURNING.

-- DRISCOLL WILL EXPLAIN THAT A PRESS CAMPAIGN COULD
MAKE CONTINUING HIS VISIT PAINFUL AND EMBARRASSING FOR
HIM AND FOR HIS GOVERNMENT, AND COULD WELL IMPACT
ADVERSELY.

-- DRISCOLL WILL THEN ASK LAVIN FOR HIS REACTIONS, IN
SENSE OF BRINGING ABOUT CANCELLATION OF FINAL PART OF
VISIT THROUGH SHARING WITH HIM THE VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM
WHICH THIS COULD BECOME FOR HIM AND FOR US.

3. ONCE DRISCOLL HAS TALKED WITH LAVIN, HE WILL CHECK
IN WITH ME. AT THAT POINT WE SHALL DECIDE WHAT FURTHER
ACTION IS APPROPRIATE OR NECESSARY. THE PURPOSE OF
DRISCOLL'S VISIT IS TO PERSUADE LAVIN PERSONALLY AND
INFORMALLY THAT HE SHOULD TAKE DECISION TO CANCEL
BALANCE OF HIS VISIT TO THE U.S.

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